(2) to minimise the difficulty, will the Government be pleased to order the Public Works Department to have the necessary sign boards put up on all public roads and canals, as in Malabar and Travancore?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—

(1) Yes.

(2) Yes.

The Enamakkal Bund.

236. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is true that the Enamakkal bund sluices were opened in Makaram and water let out;

(b) was it so done with the knowledge and approval of any officer;

(c) which officer approved of this action;

(d) whether, in the view of the Government, his action has contributed to the draught;

(e) whether it is true that the *chals* and channels in the *Kole* lands are silted up;

(f) whether the Government proposes to have these silt cleared?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The Chief Engineer.

(d) No.

(e) Yes.

(f) Yes. The Member is referred to the Diwan's Proceedings, dated 10th July 1926, P. No. 598 of 1101, Revenue Department, published at page 690, Part I of the Cochin Government Gazette, dated 26th Mithunam 1101.

The removal of liquor shops outside the Municipal area of Ernakulam.

237. Mr. K. T. Mathew.— Will the Government be pleased to inform (1) on whose representations or requests the liquor shops in the Ernakulam Town were removed from within the Municipality area of Ernakulam, and (2) how many such requests or representations were received by the Government before removing the liquor shops and (3) the dates of their receipt;

(b) the number of cases of illicit distillation or tapping or any other malpractices detected, gone to court, and punished

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